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FORMER BANK TELLER ENTERS GUILTY PLEA IN FEDERAL COURT

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, announced today that **CHRISTY N. COY**, age 32, of Slaughters, Kentucky, in Webster County, **pled guilty** to taking and misapplying money entrusted to a bank that was federally insured, while working in her capacity as a teller of the bank.

The maximum potential penalties, are 30 years imprisonment, a \$1,000,000 fine, and 5 years supervised release.

Coy admitted that between about January 1, 2003 and May 3, 2006, while an employee and teller of the Independence Bank of Kentucky in Webster County, Kentucky, she willfully embezzled and misapplied approximately \$42,794 of funds that were entrusted to the Bank, a financial institution insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. Coy admitted that she would take cash from her teller drawer and falsify her documentation to make it appear that the cash in her drawer was correctly balanced. In addition, Coy admitted that she would also take cash from customer deposits while also creating documentation to conceal her taking of the money.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney David Sparks and was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Kentucky State Police.

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The plea was entered before Hon. Joseph H. McKinley, Jr., Judge, United States District Court, Bowling Green, Kentucky.

Coy is scheduled to be sentenced before Judge McKinley on June 4, 2007, at 9:00 a.m., in Owensboro, Kentucky.

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